

## **JASPER REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

Minutes of the Meeting – September 2, 2014

The Jasper Redevelopment Commission met on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street. Notice was given in compliance with Indiana's Open Meeting Law.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President John Bell called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

President John Bell	present
Vice President John Schroeder	present
Secretary John Kahle	absent
Member Andrew Seger	present
Member Ray Howard	present
Non-voting advisor Bernie Vogler	present

Also Present:

Renee Kabrick - Commission's Attorney

Kathy Pfister - Recording Secretary

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Andrew Seger made a motion to approve the Commission's minutes as presented from the August 5, 2014, Regular Meeting. Ray Howard seconded it. The motion carried 4-0.

### **CLAIMS**

Vice President John Schroeder made a motion to approve a claim from Brosmer Land Surveying in the amount of \$750.00 for surveying work in regards to the Parklands as part of the sales purchase contract for the 10 acres of property sold to Greater Jasper School Corporation. Ray Howard seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

### **RESOLUTION NO. RC 2014-1**

Attorney Renee Kabrick presented a draft resolution stating that ownership of The Parklands would remain with the Redevelopment Commission and the stewardship, which

includes maintenance, planning and improvements would continue to be the responsibility of the Jasper Parks and Recreation Department. Following some explanation, President John Bell asked if the Commission should consider relinquishing ownership of the property as well as the stewardship. Attorney Kabrick said she didn't feel the Commission and City were prepared to take that step yet; therefore, she would like to consult with Attorney Richard Starkey about the 'pros and cons' to determine whether or not the Redevelopment Commission's continued ownership of The Parklands will be advantageous for future development.

After a lengthy discussion, Ray Howard made a motion to grant approval of Resolution RC 2014, authorizing the Park Department to take over stewardship of The Parklands, including the 10 acres sold to Greater Jasper School Corporation. Vice President Schroeder seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PROPOSED TIF AREA**

Attorney Kabrick sent a draft copy of the Economic Development Plan to all board members to view. Ed Curtin, of CWC Latitudes, wrote the proposed plan and appeared before the board to give a brief explanation of what is included in the document. Mr. Curtin said it identifies the geographic area and the goals and objectives for the Tax Increment Finance (TIF) area. The document will serve as a guide in terms of keeping consistent in the decision making of what the community is ultimately trying to achieve.

Attorney Kabrick said she is waiting for Accountant Gary Malone and Attorney Rich Starkey to 'weigh in' on the plan and suggested that the board direct any questions about the document to her, and she will forward the information to Mr. Curtin to make any revisions.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no more discussion at hand, a motion was made by Vice President Schroeder and seconded by Ray Howard to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 4-0, and the meeting adjourned 8:35 a.m.

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John Bell, President

Attest:

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John Kahle, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Kathy Pfister